



BUSINESS LICENSE COMMISSION
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
374 KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
500 WEST TEMPLE STREET
LOS ANGELES, CA 90012
(213) 974-7691



June 16, 2010 MEETING

374 HALL OF ADMINISTRATION

MINUTES

Commissioners Present

Steven Afriat, President
Renée Campbell, Vice President
Sara Vasquez, Commissioner
James Barger, Commissioner
Diana Wood, Secretary

Commission Services Staff

Twila P. Kerr
Garen Khachian

County Representatives

Barbara Goul, County Counsel
Ray Hocking, Treasurer and Tax Collector
Carmen Sainz, Regional Planning

Guests

Michelle Diaz, Kennedy Court Reporter
Neil Evans, UITD
Victor Garate
Oswaldo Guidos
Ali Nasrollahi
Rosalia Villalobos

MEMBERS
STEVEN AFRIAT
PRESIDENT
RENÉE CAMPBELL
VICE-PRESIDENT
DIANA WOOD
SECRETARY
JAMES BARGER
COMMISSIONER
SARA VASQUEZ
COMMISSIONER

CALL TO ORDER

President Afriat called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

MINUTES

ACTION TAKEN: MINUTES of June 9, 2010 – Approved.

Motion: President Afriat, seconded by Commissioner Barger

Abstention: Secretary Wood

Vote: Duly carried

PUBLIC HEARING

Hearing on Recommendation to Deny Public eating Business License ID# 136341 continued from 3/31/10 and 6/2/10

Miriam Castro
Tacos Morales
17026 E. Cypress Street, #B
Covina, CA 91722-3100 (Fifth District)

Ray Hocking, Treasurer and Tax Collectors' Office, reported that the application is being recommended for denial by the Department of Regional Planning, Land Development Division.

Ms. Rosalia Villalobos provided a sign and notarized letter to represent Miriam Castro. Carmen Sainz, Department of Regional Planning, reported Ms. Villalobos is in the process of submitting the requested documents to the Regional Planning Department.

ACTION TAKEN: The Commission continued the above-mentioned item to July 28, 2010.

Motion: Commissioner Barger, seconded by Secretary Wood

Vote: Unanimously carried

Hearing on License to Modify w/Hearing /Addition of 33 Taxicabs Business License ID#137346 continued from 5/26/10

Ali Nasrollahi
All Yellow Taxi, Inc.
17800 S. Main Street
Gardena, CA 90248 (Second District)

President Afriat recused himself due to conflict of interest.

Ray Hocking, Treasurer and Tax Collector's office, reported that the applicant has obtained all the necessary County approvals, and reported the Sheriff Department has no objection to issuance of the license.

Vice President Campbell joined the meeting at 9:23 a.m.

Mr. Ali Nasrollahi, President, Mr. Victor Garate, Operation Manager and Mr. Oswaldo Guidos, Assistant Operation Manager, provided a brief background on the operation of the business. Mr. Nasrollahi is requesting additional seals in order to dispatch more cabs to service customers within a timeframe of 15 to 20 minutes.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Neil Evans, Attorney representing United Independent Taxi Drivers, Inc., and Independent Taxi's Inc., stated in this economy there isn't any need to expand the service. In his opinion, expansion is requested to enhance the value of additional fleet.

Commission members expressed concern that the applicant did not demonstrate sufficient need for the issuance of the additional seals and agreed to continue the matter to allow time for the applicant to produce more evidence as to need.

ACTION TAKEN: The Commission continued the above-mentioned item to July 14, 2010.

Motion: Vice President Campbell, seconded by Commissioner Vasquez

Vote: Unanimously carried

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

The Commission agreed to cancel the meetings of June 23, 2010, June 30, 2010 and July 7, 2010. The next meeting is scheduled for July 14, 2010.

There were none.

ADJOURNMENT

The Commission adjourned at 9:48 a.m.



Steven Afriat, President